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sions. In considering the regulations for granting the benefits, attention is directed to the attitude of employers, which is so frequently embodied in the regulations, namely the disposition to bind the workmen to the firm. The usual method is to make withdrawal from the plant, from whatever cause, the occasion for a loss of rights to benefits. The workmen complain of such regulations as an encroachment on their right to quit work, and they have come to demand legal protection of their right to benefits regardless of their place of employment. The attitude of the workmen on this point is set forth in a series of resolutions (Cf. pp. 5-10), passed by various labor bodies and submitted to the Reichstag for parliamentary action. Loewenfeld concludes that legal regulation of these funds is not only desirable but necessary for the proper protection of the laborer's rights. This part of the monograph particularly should be of interest to American students, as it seems certain that workmen here will soon demand protection of their right to benefit funds to which they have contributed, without any restriction on their right to quit work.

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In publishing this book, the Russell Sage Foundation gives a good example of one of the ways which it is following for the prevention of human ills, in the spread of intensely useful and needed information. The author, now general secretary of the National